

**Remarks**

The Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as the Examiner believes the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species. Specifically, the Examiner has requested that Applicant elect one each from the groups A through F as follows: A being directed to material of the electrode (A-1, polysilicon; A-2, titanium nitride); B being directed to material of the spacer (B-1, polysilicon; B-2, titanium nitride); C being directed to method of removing the spacer (C-1, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>; C-2, TMAH); D being directed to spacer coverage (D-1, spacer covers entirety of the sidewalls; D-2, spacer covers less than an entirety of the sidewalls); E being directed to pressure (E-1, pressure greater than 20 Torr; E-2, pressure between 10 and 20 Torr); and F being directed to temperature (F-1, temperature greater than 700°C; F-2, temperature between 600 and 700°C).

Applicant hereby elects without traverse species: A-2, B-2, C-1, D-1, E-1, and F-1; directed to claims: 1-4, 8-9, 11-20, 24-35, 37-41, 44, 46-47, 49-50, and 54-60. Claims 1, 8, 9, 11-17, 24, 26-34, 44, 47, and 54-60 are believed to be generic.

Applicant requests examination of the pending claims 1-60.

Respectfully submitted,

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